

Pharmacy Resident Application Process

How to Apply

All interested candidates should submit required materials for their Application Packet no later than January 15 to the address below. There is no separate application form.

The Application Packet consists of:

- Three Letters of Recommendation (using ASHP recommendation form)
- Letter of Intent and Curriculum Vitae
- College Transcripts
- For more information, see the ASHP “Resident Information” webpage



Address for Application Packet Submission:

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Orlando VA Medical Center PGY1 Pharmacy Residency



“Artists Rendering of the future Orlando VAMC in Lake Nona”



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Veterans Affairs



The Orlando VA Medical Center, one of seven facilities in the VISN 8 Healthcare System, serves over 90,000 veterans in East Central Florida. The Community Living Center (CLC) and the Domiciliary and Rehabilitation Program are located on the Orlando VA Medical Center campus. The Medical Center is also comprised of the Brevard Outpatient Clinic (OPC), the Daytona OPC, and five Community Based Outpatient Clinics, which are located in Clermont, Lake Nona, Kissimmee, Leesburg, and Orange City. A new hospital is slated to be complete by 2013 and will be part of the “*Medical City*” which is to include a number of research facilities, hospitals, and The University of Central Florida College of Medicine. It is anticipated that the new facility will serve over 400,000 veterans.

The PGY1 Pharmacy residency program at Orlando VA Medical Center provides a well-rounded training opportunity in a variety of primary care settings. Pharmacists completing this residency program will be competent, compassionate, and independent practitioners providing direct patient care in various health care environments. They will demonstrate skill in educating both patients and health professionals. Residents will gain experience in project management and develop leadership skills necessary for a positive professional attitude. The Orlando VA Medical Center is affiliated with the colleges of pharmacy at Creighton University, Florida A&M University, NOVA Southeastern University, Palm Beach Atlantic University, and The University of Florida.

Basic Requirements

- The applicant must possess a Doctor of Pharmacy Degree (PharmD) from an ACPE-accredited school or college.
- All residents will be required to successfully complete a state board examination prior to entering the program. Licensure may be through any U.S. State Board of Pharmacy.
- U.S. citizenship is required.
- The applicant must be registered with the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists’ Matching Program.
- An on-site interview is required for all applicants.

Requirements for Completion of Residency

All residents will be required to complete and participate in all of the following:

- Research project or Medication Utilization Evaluation (MUE)
- Clinical Staffing (weekend / evening hours)
- Newsletter / Monograph / VADERS
- Formal Continuing Education Presentations
- BLS / ACLS certification
- Journal Club Presentations

Practice Experiences

- Practice based projects
- Adverse drug reaction reporting
- Medication therapy management
- Education of pharmacy students and healthcare professionals
- Participation in departmental and committee meetings

- Clinical intervention documentation
- Participation in pharmacy distribution services
- Completion of teaching certificate program

Required Rotations

- Anticoagulation Management
- Drug Distribution
- Geriatrics
- Home Based Primary Care
- Practice Management
- Primary Care

Elective Rotations

- Erythropoiesis Stimulating Agent (ESA) Management
- HIV/Hepatitis C Management
- Mental Health
- Pain Management
- Cardiology
- Endocrinology
- Neurology
- Intensive Diabetes Management

Pharmacy Residency Benefits

- Stipend: \$41,098.00
- Leave includes: 13 accrued vacation days, 13 accrued sick days, and 10 government holidays
- Administrative leave for professional activities
- Health benefits and life insurance
- ASHP accredited PGY1 residency
- Free Parking